

TAILOR MADE CLOTHING. SPECIAL LINES FOR SPRING. GARDINER & BAXTER.

IT BROUGHT LUCK.

Through Not in the Way That Lottery Tickets Are Expected To.

It was only a dirty crumpled piece of paper. The rain and the dust had marked and blotted it, the wind had tossed it and scores of pedestrians had trampled it under foot.

At last a new boy picked it up. He was about to throw it away again, but the thought struck him that it might be a lottery ticket. It looked like one, and the ragged youngster's face brightened as the possibility grew upon his imagination.

"Yes," said a pleasant-faced gentleman whom the youngster had stopped to ask, "that is a lottery ticket. It is good for the next drawing, too."

The boy looked up at the big buildings around him—the houses of millions, the offices of millionaires—and his surroundings gave him the direction to his fancy. What if that crumpled ticket made him rich? He would have an office down town. He would dress in broadcloth like the men he saw there through the windows. His mother and little sisters could wear silk and jewels and not work any more, and ride in carriages.

The ticket brought him luck it seemed. He sold all his papers soon, and then with a light heart he ran home to tell his tired and worried mother of his good fortune. She smiled and humored his fancy.

That was years ago.

The boy of that day is a sturdy and prosperous man of business now. His dream has been realized—more than realized.

The lottery ticket was a blank. He has forgotten it long ago—forgotten that he ever had a lottery ticket.—N. V. Herald.

SURVIVAL OF THE UNFIT.

An Ounce of Prevention Worth a Pound of Cure.

Municipal governments annually devote large sums of money for the care of the sick, the criminal and the insane, but devote no energy to investigating and striving to prevent the factors that are constantly at work in producing these classes. Here, if ever, an ounce of prevention is equal to many pounds of cure. The department of public charities and correction of New York city, with its 15,000 wards, received \$1,100,337 in 1891, and requests an appropriation of \$2,577,245 for 1892. If a part of the money that is annually devoted to keeping alive the helpless and suffering could in some way be diverted toward remedying unhealthy dwellings, relieving overcrowded tenements, dissipating polluted air and foul gases, supplying the best food at cheap rates, educating the masses in the simple principles of hygienic living, closing the saloons, and in many like ways checking the sources of disease and degeneration, this knotty problem would find its best solution. The way we can cure is by preventing. We permit factors to exist that degenerate men physically, mentally and morally, and then bring up a clumsy, mechanical, outside philanthropy to try and reform by patchwork.—Dr. Henry D. Chapin, in Popular Science Monthly.

A Fair-Trade Thread.

An amusing story is told by the famous geologist, Clarence King, of an investigation which he made of an alleged silver mine in Utah. The property was represented to be of enormous value, and appearances were certainly very much in its favor. On the way down the shaft the walls on every hand gleamed brightly with shining ore in the light thrown by the lamps, and the sides of the drifts were equally beautiful to the eyes of the observing expert. But while more closely examining the rock he noticed a coarse thread hanging out of it. Ordinarily threads do not grow in rock, and the finding of this one led to the discovery of the whole swindle. It was found that the owner of the mine had taken a great quantity of galena, refined it to powder, made it with water into a plaster and carefully stuccoed the walls of the shaft and drift with the material. The plaster was carried for this purpose in gunny-bags, a thread from one of which got mixed up with it.—Golden Days.

Swedish believed that he had the privilege of interviewing persons in the spirit world.

Dr. Johnson heard his mother call his name in a clear voice, though she was at the time in another city.

Sir Joshua Reynolds, leaving his house, thought the lamps were too dim and the men and women bushes agitated by the breeze.

Oliver Cromwell, lying asleep on his couch, saw the curtains open and a gigantic woman appear, who told him that he would become the greatest man in England.

Ravallins, while chanting the "Miserere" and "De Profundis," believed that the sounds he emitted were of the nature and had the full effect of the trumpet.

Ben Jonson spent the watches of the night an interested spectator of the crowd of Tartars, Turks and Roman Catholics who rose up and fought around his armchair till sunrise.—Detroit Free Press.

Mr. Calhoun (from St. Louis)—You don't seem to be much enthused over the setting of this company. Miss How-james.

London Young Woman (translating him with a cold stare)—I am not even a bit interested. Mr.—Chicago Tribune.

Narrow Escape.

A woman in Springfield, O., has, according to a dispatch, apparently died four or five times during the last year, been laid out for burial, and each time returned to vigorous life just before being consigned to the grave.

FOR THE FRESH UNS

Howard Fielding Talks of Some Professional Needs.

VALUE OF A GOOD HOSS TRADER

In Literature—The Importance of a Business Head and India Rubber Conscience.

A writer who desires to win or to hold the favor of the public and to pay his board with reasonable regularity should confine himself to such themes as all the people understand. Some of my great predecessors neglected this principle and are now unable to afford anything better than plain granite monuments, whereas I live in a thirteen-story flat house with a front that looks like Parian marble except where the frosting is scraped off. The "front" which I personally put on is an even better imitation than that.

The thought which is concealed in the paragraph above came to me a few days ago after I had read an interview



HE NEED A FEW TEAMS OVER IT.

with Mr. Howells, in which there was much good advice to young writers. I felt a strong impulse to attack the subject and, incidentally, Mr. Howells. This did not strike me as presumptuous. If I wished to learn how it feels to be run over by a mowing machine, I would rather have a few earnest words from a man who is being chopped up than the sober afterthought of a much better man who escaped with only the loss of his overalls. Though the cases incident to being a young writer have made me older than my own father, while Mr. Howells (who raised a mustache before I was born) is still in the vigor of youth, I am qualified, at least by the records in the family Bible, to speak for the boys.

But at this point comes the thought already mentioned which I intend to stick to because I may not have another in all summer. This is it: Who cares for the young writer, anyhow? Or the old one, either? Isn't the writer pretty nearly the most uninteresting object on the face of the earth? He cannot appear in his own work without violence to his art, and, in my opinion, this same judicious principle should apply to him generally. His tolls and disappointments are not understood by the public, and there is no need that they should be. One of the cleverest young writers I know has tried in vain to make his landlady understand them, but she would rather discuss the value of his baggage as collateral security. Hence, by the principle which I enunciated in the beginning, I should never have written this letter, but I shall finish it, just the same, for I need the money. And this brings me naturally to my advice to young writers.

Training should begin at an early age. One of the most successful young literary men of my acquaintance began at the early age of six years to play marbles "for keeps." At seven he pitched pennies, and though the other fellow's coin was often nearer the mark, our young friend nearly always won because he had a way of representing a case which left nobody in it but himself. His business ability attracted the attention of his father, who made an honorable competency by trading horses. The son soon surpassed the father to such an extent that he spent the last five years of his minority in a reformatory institution, where he was associated with several youths who had even better business acumen than his own. In short, when he came to New



THE SUBJECTS DIDN'T AGREE.

York at the age of twenty-one he was thoroughly well fitted to succeed.

And this is what I wish to impress upon the mind of any youth who would gain money by literary work in the metropolis: Be a business man. Don't waste your time with Ker's common school Greek, for you can hire a typewriter girl who will make your verbs agree with their subjects, if necessary. The printer will afterward make them disagree again, anyhow; that is, unless you throw your work away upon the first-class publications. Don't wrestle with the sequence of tenses. The reader knows all about that, or, if he doesn't, he will fix it to suit himself in spite of you. Look for the markets, my boy, for that's business, and let the queen's English take its chances between the lines and the proofroom.

I think that it is a great mistake to tell a young man that he should enter the career of letters with no thought of money. He will never succeed in that way. I know two men who wrote stories that were rejected by the Century magazine. One of them spent a month revising his production and then sent it to the Harpers, after which he put it into a little box, shed a few tears upon it and abandoned his ambition. The other simply dedicated his story to the memory of Jake Kilrain and sold it to the Police Gazette. He is now writing stuff that should go down to posterity, in the interests of the manufacturer of the 40 pocket granitum.

It is his power to make everything available which marks the dawn of a new and better era in American literature.

turn. The industry of this rushing age has taken hold upon the writer also, and he is not the leader he used to be. Mr. Howells errs, I am sure, in saying that literary labor occupies fewer hours in the day than any other kind except that which is done in the government departments at Washington. I have seen one of our successful young literary men dictating to four stenographers at once, and it took them till a o'clock the next morning to find out what he had been talking about in order that it might be put into typewritten copy. There we have over sixty hours of work in a single day put into the production of one great literary brain.

He errs, too, in saying that moods have been credited with too much influence in literature. It is impossible. Why, I know a publisher who would not more buy an article when he's in a bad mood than he would give a dime to a starving man. But just lure that fellow out of his office and let him beat you at a couple of games of billiards, and he'll buy almost any old thing that happens to be lying around in your pocket. I can't say how important that man's moods have been to me. If I hadn't discovered the secret of them I might now be full of ambitious literary designs and empty of dinner.

But, taking moods perhaps more seriously and more nearly in the way intended by Mr. Howells, and still I disagree. There are days when I can't write my name with marking ink on a celluloid collar and impart any literary flavor to it, and there are other days when I can dash off a few lines for the wrapper of a new soap, and make them so clean and pure and wholesome that the purchaser will not need to see the soap for several days.

Yet I hold that proper methods of literary production will come to a man naturally, or, if they do not, he need not grieve. But the thing he really does require, the ability to sell anything from a green goods circular down to a poem, must be obtained by hard study and diligent copying of successful practices. And if I have done anything



GETTING SOLD WITH THE PUBLISHER.

here, or can do anything in the future, to teach the young writer how he may cheat a publisher to-day in such a delicate manner that he can cheat him twice as hard to-morrow, I shall feel that I have not been wholly untrue to those literary ideals which are cherished by the men about me who are making the most money. The men whom I speak of are not working, as I honestly and gratefully believe that Mr. Howells is, for the good of literature and the pleasure of posterity, but for things that are more lasting—for bank accounts and real estate in those districts which a new system of rapid transit will open up to the speculation.

HOWARD FIELDING.

ODDS AND ENDS.

The hardest headed man was born with a soft spot.

False teeth for horses are coming into wide use in France.

American factories produce 85,000 watches every week.

Use the door mat instead of the floor carpet for a foot scraper.

Try to keep your closets free from old shoes or soiled garments.

Thirty-one states have adopted the Australian ballot system.

In the United States there are about 16,000 cows—one for every four persons.

Save the juices that drain out of roasts and steaks to add to stock for soups and meat sauces.

It is hard to remember that the nights are shortest when the weather is too warm to sleep.

It is hard for the Lord to make much use of a preacher whose head is bigger than his heart.

A gas engine has been made in England that runs at the rate of 540 revolutions a minute.

The Chinese, Japanese, Malays, Siamese, New Zealanders and North American Indians are all but beardless.

Did your wife look a little bit, but the least little bit cross this morning? Was the kindling wood fine and dry?

Even the medical profession has not understood the nature of the relation between overwork and its morbid effects.

Three factories in the United States consume over 3,000,000 eggs per year in making albumen paper, extensively used in photography.

In Noble county, W. Va., there is said to be a fashionable sea, composed of salt water and oil, from which gas escapes with a tremendous roar.

A Chicago physician says that the human nose is frequently not in the exact center of the face, and it is well known that the two sides of the face are rarely symmetrical.

Cheap Enough, Certainly.

"I felt so cheap during the ceremony," confessed the bride to her dearest friend. "Why, my dear?" "Because you gave me away."—Detroit Free Press.

of fire. A novel kind of bomb is filled with what the inventor calls "baiting" material. The two chemical ingredients, nitrobenzene and nitric acid, are in separate glass vessels, which are broken when the shot is fired, their contents being mixed together by the rapid revolution of the shell and exploded by a time-fuse. Wonderful accounts are given of the havoc created by the bursting of projectiles of this description. Up to the present time no method of throwing high-power explosives from guns by means of gunpowder has been proved successful, although one scientific gentleman has wasted three hundred thousand dollars of Uncle Sam's money in experiments which only resulted in bursting many valuable cannon. However, trials that are being conducted under government auspices with a new mixture termed "verminite" seem likely to solve this problem. Until now pneumatic guns have been found available for such purposes.

To Mount a Coach.

"There is such a difference," said a man on the piazza at a Claremont tea a few days ago, "in the way a woman mounts or descends from a coach or drag. There is a certain skill about it which comes only from considerable practice. A woman in America scarcely gets enough experience to acquire this, but many American women who have coached in Europe, where they are used only one hand to touch the coach and the other should rest on the shoulder of the groom or the gentleman who is assisting her. Above all, she should show and know no fear, a condition of confidence that is rarely acquired except after many months."

The Compass Plant.

On the western prairie is found what is called the compass plant, which is of great value to travelers. The long leaves at the base of its stem are placed, not flat, as in plants generally, but in a vertical position, and present their edges north and south. The peculiar propensity of the plant is attributed to fact that both surfaces of its leaves display an equal receptivity for light (whereas the upper surfaces of the leaves of most plants are more sensitive to light than the lower); the leaves thus assume a vertical position, and point north and south. Travelers on dark nights are said to feel the edges of the leaves to ascertain the point of the compass.

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On these terms, it's an insult to your intelligence to have something else offered as being "just as good."

REPUBLICAN COUNTY CONVENTION.

A republican county convention will be held in the Metropolitan hotel, over at First street, in the city of Grand Rapids, Michigan, on Thursday, July 14, 1892, at 11 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing forty-seven delegates to the republican state convention to be held in Detroit, July 22, for the purpose of nominating candidates for state offices and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the convention.

Each township and ward is entitled to three delegates. Isaac F. Lakostate, Chairman. George W. Dwyer, Secretary.

Dated, Grand Rapids, June 28, 1892.

REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION.

The republican electors of the state of Michigan, and all others who may desire to unite with them in upholding the principles of the republican party as declared in the platform adopted by the national republican convention, are hereby requested to send delegates to the state convention of said party, to be held at the Academy of Music, in the city of Saginaw, east side, beginning at 2 o'clock p. m., Wednesday, July 20, and continuing Thursday, July 21, for the purpose of nominating candidates for state offices and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the convention.

In accordance with the resolution adopted at Grand Rapids, May 10, 1892, every county will be entitled to one delegate for each 500 of the total vote cast for governor at the last state election. (Not to be counted as an additional delegate for every fraction amounting to 250, but each organization county will be entitled to at least one delegate.)

Under a resolution of 1886, no delegate will be entitled to a seat in the convention who does not reside in the county he proposes to represent.

Delegates from each congressional district are requested to meet in caucus at 12 o'clock noon, on Wednesday, July 19, to select candidates for delegates to the state convention for confirmation: use vice president, one assistant secretary, and one member each of the committee on credentials, permanent organization and order of business, and resolutions, and for the transaction of such other business as they may see fit.

In compliance with a resolution adopted in Detroit, June 23, 1890, the secretary of each county convention is requested to forward to the secretary of the state convention, at No. 50 West Fort street, Detroit, by the earliest mail, a list of the delegates to the convention, with their names, residences, and the counties they are entitled to seats in the convention.

WILLIAM R. BATES, Secretary. JAMES McMELEN, Chairman.

G. R. & I. R. R.

Train No. 7.

Supper at Kalkaska at 6:15 p. m. Leave Grand Rapids..... 2:00 p. m. Arrive Petoskey..... 8:00 p. m. Arrive Mackinaw Island..... 10:30 p. m. Arrive Traverse City..... 6:55 p. m. Parlor car to Petoskey and Mackinaw.

Other trains, with parlor and sleeping cars, for Petoskey and Mackinaw leave at 7:20 a. m. and 10:30 p. m. For Traverse City at 7:20 a. m. and 4:15 p. m.

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Stockholders' Meeting.

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Read list of artists and dates: Chevalier de Kontski, July 16 and 18. Emil Liebling, August 4 and 6. Conservatory faculty concert, August 12.

William H. Sherwood, August 18. Single tickets, each 50 cents. Course tickets, each \$2.

Special course tickets for music teachers and pupils, \$1.

All who are interested in the advancement of their own musical education will not miss this opportunity. Address or call at college for further particulars.

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Is the date set for the excursion to the famous Seven Islands at Grand Lodge, to be given by the Railroad Clerks association. If you have never been to Grand Lodge make your arrangements to go on this excursion and see one of the prettiest places that there is in Michigan. It is the intention to make this a basket picnic, but those who don't care to take their baskets can get first-class meals at the hotel on the grounds. Everything is there necessary for a good time, row boats, steamboats, swings, etc. Trains will leave Union station via D. L. & N. railroad at 9 a. m. July 17, and leave Grand Lodge at 7 p. m. Round trip rate, \$1.

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